

The Bethel News.

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BETHEL, MAINE, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1904.

PRICE THREE CENTS.

New Spring Gingham.

Now is a good time to make your gingham waists and dresses. This spring the line of gingham is very pretty and the prices are about the same as common, regardless of the high price of cotton.

We have a larger line to select from now than we are likely to have later.

ONE LOT of good quality Gingham. These are in stripes, checks and plaids. The colors are blues, pinks, reds, green and black with white 10c.

OTHERS about the same colors and patterns but finer quality, 12 1-2c.

Remember Our Cotton Underwear Sale

MANY BARGAINS LEFT IN THE NEW AND MARKED DOWN GOODS.

See the pretty Corset Covers of good cotton, French style, lace insertion, beading and ribbon at neck, 50c.

Thomas Smiley

Telephone 112-2.

NORWAY MAINE.

Mr. David Smith Cram, a veteran soldier in the late Civil war, died at the home of his son, Alvin Cram, at West Brownfield, on the 6th inst., aged seventy-five years. A widow and one son survive him. He was a member of the G. A. R. Post and of the I. O. O. F. of Brownfield.

It is reported, though not with definite authority, that in place of the toothpick mill burned at Dixfield village, two will be built, one by the Forster estate, on the site of the burned mill, and the other on the Dixfield side of Webb's River by Maurice Forster, who has severed his connection with the business matters of the estate.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Edwards of Otisfield, narrowly escaped destruction by fire recently. Mrs. Edwards was away an hour and a half and on her return found the kitchen full of smoke and the wood box and wood finish behind the stove in flames. Fortunately there were two full pails of water in the sink and these with the hot water in the tank and teakettle, sufficed to extinguish the fire, though Mrs. Edwards threw on snow to make sure the last spark was out. Had she remained away ten minutes longer nothing could have saved the house.

The Webb of Fate,
OR
A Revolutionary Scout
BY
Byron Dowling.
IS THE NEXT
SERIAL STORY
To appear in the News.
Chapter I next week.

THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

Going to St. Louis? Sure! Miss Ruby Clark is visiting relatives in Saco.

Mrs. Mercier has been quite ill for the past two weeks.

16,000 votes and a free trip to Niagara Falls and St. Louis.

Mrs. Sarah Russell is much improved from her recent illness.

Next Tuesday the W. C. T. U. will observe Frances Willard day.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. F. B. Tuell Thursday afternoon.

Misses Sara and Lena Farwell spent a few days in Portland last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Chandler spent Sunday with their family in Bethel.

The Ladies' Aid will meet Thursday afternoon with Mrs. I. S. Morrill.

Mr. Albert Copeland has purchased of Mr. T. J. Foster all of his interval land.

Next Sunday evening, the Christian Endeavor will meet with the Epworth League at 6.45.

Miss Mary H. True who went to Boston for a few days' rest and change is at home again.

Mrs. Angella Clark returned home from a few days' visit in Portland and vicinity last week.

Remember the union temperance meeting at the Methodist church next Sunday evening at 7.30.

Letters for the following are advertised at the postoffice:

Mr. Calis Perry.
Asa K. Prescott.

Mrs. C. E. Arno of Gorham, N. H., called on friends in town Monday, on her return from Portland where she spent Sunday.

Mr. Claude Mills and friend Mr. Smith came from Portland last Sunday and spent the day with Percy Bartlett at his home in East Bethel.

Please don't say any more about old-fashioned winters. If you have seen anything more old-fashioned than this, it must have been an old timer indeed.

Miss Dorothea Mason accompanied by her friend, Miss Florence Rideout, came up from Deering yesterday to visit her grandmother, Mrs. O. M. Mason.

The case of Walter Rollins about which there was some question last week, has been decided to be a genuine case of small pox. This is the fourth case to date. All are doing well.

Mr. Eli Stearns spent Sunday at his home, but returned to sell his apples up country. On account of the extreme cold of last week, it was unsafe to attempt to unload the car.

If you wish to know what is *The Greatest Plague in Life*, go to the novel entertainment to be given in connection with the Gould's Academy fair at Garland chapel next Friday evening, Feb. 12.

A party of fifteen, consisting of pupils in Miss Gibson's room at the grammar school and a few friends took a sled ride about the village and outskirts last Thursday evening. Notwithstanding the Arctic weather, a fine time is reported by those who went.

Walter Wight met with quite a serious accident last Thursday. A scaffold on which he was walking in the barn gave way, causing him to fall to the floor below. He struck very heavily upon one side across the edge of a board. He has been confined to his bed since, but his condition is somewhat improved, and a speedy recovery is hoped for.

The Columbian Club will meet on Saturday, Feb. 13, at Mrs. J. G. Gehring's. Mrs. Williamson will continue her interesting talk upon Japan, illustrating her descriptions by beautiful pictures of scenery, costumes, etc. All members of the Federation are cordially invited to be present. Attention is called to the hour which is three o'clock.

Supper and Fair.

Next Friday afternoon and evening, Feb. 12, will be held in Garland Chapel the annual fair, supper, and entertainment of Gould's Academy. Special efforts have been made this year to make this occasion of unusual interest. The fair itself will be open to the public at 2 o'clock and will be conducted as usual, the various departments being assigned to the different classes and to the alumni.

The supper will be served in the dining room from 6 to 7.30 o'clock. Following the supper there will be an entertainment in the chapel.

Besides instrumental solos and duets, the program will consist of readings, drills by the students, a vocal solo by Mrs. I. H. Wight, and the crowning feature of the evening, a farce entitled *The Greatest Plague in Life*. The parts of this unique comedy are to be taken by eight young ladies of the Academy, and it promises to be of unusual interest. The price of admission to the entertainment is 15c; to the supper 25c.

The proceeds of the fair and supper will go to supply some of the urgent needs of the school, particularly the Reading Room and Library. Let one and all come out and generously give their aid and patronage to this excellent cause and at the same time enjoy a most entertaining social evening.

Union Temperance Meeting.

At the M. E. Church next Sabbath evening there will be a union temperance meeting, at which Rev. N. H. Pringle, Sec'y of the Maine Civic League will speak. This is an opportunity to hear what the League thinks about the possibility of resubmission etc. There ought to be a crowded house. Mr. Pringle will speak at Locke's Mills in the afternoon.

The meeting for moral improvement at the M. E. vestry last Wednesday evening was attended by eighteen persons. After discussion, a committee to draft a statement of the case, frame by-laws etc., was appointed. This committee consists of Revs. F. C. Potter, Chas. N. Gleason, A. D. Colson, and laymen E. C. Park and F. E. Hanscom. This committee will meet at the study of Rev. Chas. N. Gleason this evening. The committee is expected to report to an adjourned meeting to be held at the M. E. vestry on Wednesday evening Feb. 17. All who desire to stimulate the moral conditions of Bethel are asked to be present at that meeting to listen to the report of the committee and take some action in this matter. Though Bethel is above the average in morals yet there is something to be done. Will you help us do it?

Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Tuesday, Feb. 8, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Foster observed the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage at their home on Vernon street. During the afternoon and evening many neighbors and friends called to extend congratulations and wishes for many happy returns of the anniversary. Despite the cold and blow, a cheerful reminder of warmer days was given them when they were the recipients of lovely flowers.

To this couple has been granted a pleasure but few comparatively enjoy—the privilege of celebrating a golden anniversary. The memory of the past fifty years holds joys and sorrows which help to give life a deeper meaning, and the present is filled with a large share of comfort and happiness, and their friends wish for them a comfortable, peaceful journey toward the setting sun, and that as the several milestones are passed, each one may reflect a brighter glow than the one just past, until "the gold of evening meets the dusk of night beneath the silent stars."

The pleasure of the afternoon was largely due to the only daughter, Miss Hattie Foster, who is at home with her parents, and who had quietly notified some of the friends of the coming anniversary. The occasion was one long to be pleasantly remembered.

EMMA WOODBURY CHANDLER.

BUSINESS POINTERS.

Business Readers will be published in this column at eight cents per line, reckoning six words to the line.

Yes, they are selling well, but there are a few more of those 25 cent hats left at E. E. Burnham's.

New hickwear at L. M. Stearns'. Get your valentines this week if you are to be in season. Monday will do, but Saturday is better. Nice assortment at L. C. Hall's.

Outing night dresses, 87 cents, and fleeced-lined hose, 15 cents, at L. M. Stearns'.

THE JUBILEE SINGERS

At the Methodist Church auditorium Friday evening Feb. 19 at 8 o'clock.

By the time this appears, the village and town will have been thoroughly posted as to details by the distribution of the "Heralds."

Kindly read what the press says of this entertainment. Tickets will be sold by specially appointed representatives as named below and the people of each section can purchase only of the person in charge of that section.

The tickets sold before the evening of the concert are strictly reserved seat tickets and the best seats in the church will be reserved for such as buy before day of concert.

Where two or more tickets are sold to same family, care will be taken that the number will have seats reserved together. Those who wait until night of concert will have to take chances on seats.

All those who will patronize the ticket sellers will be specially favored on the evening of the concert. The Concert will be held rain or shine, snow or blow, unless the Lord wills otherwise.

The sections with ticket sellers are as below: Mason and Broad streets and Square, Mrs. H. H. Anna; Church, Park and Railroad streets, Elva Kendall; Main street, Elsie Davis and Grace Kendall; Spring, Mechanic, Summer, Elm, Vernon and Clark streets, Mrs. Emma Robertson; Mill Hill and vicinity, Margaret Cummings; Newry, at store; West Bethel, at store or mill; Locke's Mills, Rand's store.

The present outlook is that a large house will greet these dusky sons and daughters of slaves, who in the early days of the Civil war, fled through the "underground railway" to the North, and finally to Canada, where these singers were born. We trust that the public will not carelessly let this opportunity slip of hearing these famous singers. Our object is not alone to get cash through the medium of this arrangement but to give the people an opportunity which they rarely have, of a genuinely clean and high grade entertainment to which every one can feel safe to go, and get wholesome enjoyment.

Remember the date, Friday evening, Feb. 19.

UPTON.

The sick ones are all reported as gaining in health.

J. Orne Douglass who broke both bones of his leg below the knee a week ago, is at his camp in the woods at Blanchard's works. His wife and his mother are both with him. He is attended by Dr. John Twaddle.

Mr. Ruel Coffren of East hill, died Feb. 4. He was a very aged man and had been feeble for several years. Rev. Mr. Holden of Andover, attended the funeral Saturday. This is the fifth death in this town since the beginning of Christmas week.

The water supply is limited; the weather severely cold, and the roads very poor, but everyone has enough to eat, enough to wear, and plenty of fuel. Although we wonder why many things must occur just as they do, yet we believe "God is in his heaven; all is right with the world."

FREE VACCINATION.

Any of the inhabitants of Bethel who desire Free Vaccination will be provided with the same if they will call at the office of Dr. G. L. Sturdivant or the office of Dr. I. H. Wight in Bethel village.

Per order
BOARD OF HEALTH,
Bethel, Feb. 1, 1904.

Eastern Star.

A chapter of the Order of Eastern Star was organized in Bethel last Monday evening with the following officers:

Worthy Matron—Mrs. Sarah E. Putnam.
Worthy Patron—Mr. Jarvis C. Billings.
Asso. Matron—Mrs. Sarah F. Billings.
Secretary—Miss Joan Stearns.
Treasurer—Mrs. Tillie O. Wiley.
Conductress—Mrs. Minnie Frost.
Asso. Conductress—Mrs. Annie Young.

Star officers:
Adah—Miss Rose Kimball.
Ruth—Miss Ethel Richardson.
Esther—Miss Agnes Barton.
Martha—Mrs. Maud P. Farwell.
Electa—Mrs. Gypsy Barker.

Chaplain—Mrs. Melissa Mason.
Warder—Mrs. Hattie Richardson.
Sentinel—Mr. Herbert C. Rowe.
Marshal—Miss Jane H. Gibson.

The chapter was organized by Deputy Grand Patron Arthur A. Pike of Auburn, assisted by Sister Cora J. Perham as Grand Marshal, and Sister Louise Cole, Grand Chaplain. All were pleased with the efficient manner in which D. G. Pike and his assistants performed their duties. Officers of Jefferson Chapter of Bryant Pond were present and exemplified the ritual work in a pleasing manner. Those present were Sister Flora Cole, Worthy Matron; Sister Etta Day, Assistant Matron; Sister Stella Bacon, Conductress; Sister Cora J. Perham, Assistant Conductress; Sister Louise Cole, Chaplain; Lena Felt, Adah; Matoria Billings, Ruth; Inez Briggs, Esther; Nellie Titus, Martha; Lalla Estes, Electa; Emily J. Felt, Warder.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, Feb. 24 at 7.30.

Fire at South Bethel.

The saw mill of Frank Cummings at South Bethel was destroyed by fire Saturday forenoon. Fire was discovered near the chimney of the building which was used as a dry house, about nine o'clock by some men who were working under the mill on the water wheel. The mill itself was not being operated at this time, but the dry house was being run as it contained a large stock of strips and dowels. This stock was totally destroyed. Mr. Cummings had recently put in a considerable amount of new machinery and was doing a good business. This machinery will be practically a total loss as the building burned so quickly that scarcely anything could be saved.

The loss is estimated at \$3000 or more. There was a small insurance on the building, but nothing on the stock or machinery. Mr. Cummings says that the insurance which he had will just about cover the loss on the stock, so that the mill and machinery will be a total loss to him.

The mill which was burned, was the lower mill formerly owned and operated by R. J. Virgin. It was bought about five years ago by Mr. Cummings and he has been doing a constantly increasing business. It is not known at present whether Mr. Cummings will rebuild or not. He has, however, several lumber operations in progress, and was putting a large stock into his mill yard for this season's manufacture, so it is thought he may decide to rebuild.

NOTICE

To Boston Herald Readers.

Merton L. Kimball, Esq., of Norway, is Oxford county's candidate for one of the Boston Herald's free trips to the St. Louis Exposition. He is a young man whom the News is glad to help in this contest, and we earnestly request any and all readers of the Herald in our vicinity to take the trouble to cut out the coupons and send them to the News office, and we will see that Mr. Kimball gets them. He stands well in his class and we hope that he may be the fortunate one. Let us assist him.

E. C. BOWLER.

On these cold dark mornings it is hard to

WAKE UP!

An alarm clock might help you. I have clocks at all prices and can meet your needs.

EDWARD KING,
BETHEL, MAINE.

E. C. Vandenkerckhoven.

ARTISTIC PHOTOGRAPHER,

29 MAIN ST.

BETHEL, MAINE.

February Sale

MILLINERY—Including

Trimmed Hats, from \$1.00 up

Ready-to-wear Hats, 50c, \$1.00, \$1.25

Outing Hats, 25 cts. and 33 cts.

Untrimmed Shapes, 10 cts. and 25 cts.

Ladies' nice Jersey Gloves, 25 cts.

Ladies' Gingham Work Aprons, 27 cts.

Silk Finish Silkaline, 12 cts. per yard.

Percal Wrappers, 87 cts., (\$1 value)

Various other goods marked down.

I also carry a good line of

Muslin Underwear, Hosiery,

Handkerchiefs,

White Aprons,

Fancy Collars,

Belts, Combs,

Stationery,

Yarns, etc., etc.

L. M. STEARNS,
Main St., Bethel, Me.

Valentines

This year these tokens of love are prettier than ever before. All the

Novelties

are to be found at

Miss L. C. Hall's,
BETHEL, MAINE.

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The colored slip on your paper denotes the time to which you have paid for your paper. If not correct notify us immediately.

Any person who takes a paper regularly from the Post Office—whether directed to his address or another or whether he has subscribed or not, is responsible for its payment.

If any person orders his paper discontinued, he must pay all arrears, or the publisher may continue to send it until payment is made and collect the whole amount whether it is taken from the office or not.

If you want to discontinue your paper, write to the publisher yourself, and don't leave it to the postmaster.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 10, 1904.

Contest Notes.

WANTED—Twenty young people to enjoy the Editor's free trip to St. Louis.—Speak quick and speak often.

This excursion is arranged especially for our young people and a right good time is in sight for all who go. The dates selected have been to accommodate teachers and students, as several have already expressed a desire to go.

To any to whom 16,000 votes sounds large, we would suggest that there is available material enough in our vicinity, if secured, to send at least, twenty people according to our schedule for the counting.

Several years ago we conducted a bicycle contest under a similar schedule for counting as this one; the contest continued two months and ten days, and though it was purely local, the aggregate number of votes secured would have taken eight people to St. Louis under this offer. Later we had a stove contest; this, too, was to Bethel; advertising and printing were not counted, simply subscriptions, and yet the aggregate count would have taken two people to St. Louis. This contest has no limit as to field, the contestants have over four months in which to work, the News is older and has more arrangements that are collectable, the News job and book plant is known beyond our State borders as a first-class printing establishment, and in fact, everything is decidedly favorable for a young gentleman or a young lady who has an average amount of "get there," to join the Editor's party as his guest of honor.

Now, just a bit of advice—The Editor is just as anxious to take you as you are anxious to go, so follow his advice and you will see the big Fair, see the country, see Niagara, in fact see everything that's seeable.

FIRST—If the task seems too hard don't attempt it, for if you are defeated in your own mind before you begin, you will forever remain defeated.

SECOND—If your courage is good and you want to go, enter your name at once and determine that you will go, and we will give you assistance from time to time as will make it possible for you to go.

THIRD—Each week we shall publish the names of all who have entered and their standing.—Don't fail to start with the crowd. Send in a few coupons, get a subscriber, ask some one who has the News to renew, get a little job printing, in fact do anything that comes under the conditions and do it quick so as to start out well next week. Get a good start and the race is won. After the contest is opened over one thousand people will begin to save coupons and if your name is on the list, your friends will save theirs for you.

FOURTH—New subscriptions count more than anything else, and having entered begin a campaign at once to get them. There are many people within our territory who do not have the News and whether those people really want it or not, they certainly will not refuse you when simply a dollar and twenty-five cents for a local paper, which they should have had long ago, will take a young, ambitious person to the St. Louis Exposition. Those who do have it, and there are many of them, will be glad to give you a boost by advancing their subscription one, two and perhaps five years. There are renewals and arrears enough to be obtained to send five people, and all of those loyal friends to the

NEWS will be glad to assist you. The coupons that will be published during the contest will send two, and you will get your share of them.

FIFTH—Over fifteen hundred copies of our recent illustrated number were sent out of Bethel to people who are interested here or have friends here, and yet who do not have the News. If one fourth of these people would subscribe, to say nothing of the others—just to help some one you know—their subscriptions alone would send three people to St. Louis; when you have entered we will tell you how to get them.

SIXTH—The advertising that is obtainable will be no small factor, and the fact that we are going to allow bona fide contracts to count will make it doubly easy. Get cash when you can, however, at least up to the close of the contest, as your count will be more. See schedule.

SEVENTH—Get prices on job printing and make another campaign. Don't guess that it can't be done, for without making any effort we are getting enough every month to make one 16,000 votes, this in four months would send four. If we can get this without effort you can get at least some by making an effort. Try it and see.

EIGHTH—Come to us for more advice and we will start you off for victory.

LAST BUT NOT LEAST—Get your new subscribers early so as to get the benefit of their coupons; get your advertising early so as to get as much cash as possible before the close, and don't fail to get a contract to continue thereafter.

Yours for success and a grand trip,
E. C. BOWLER.

The West Oxford Agricultural Society has decided to hold its annual exhibition Oct. 4, 5, and 6, of this year.

As a result of the continued drouth the mill situation in Lewiston is causing considerable uneasiness. It was stated by a mill official that unless the drouth is broken by a heavy rain or thaw, a complete shut down of an indefinite period will become necessary, throwing thousands of operatives out of employment.

The Warren store building in Fryeburg was entirely burned down last Sunday. The building was owned by the Warren heirs and was insured for \$1,000, total, and occupied by J. Charles Harriman as a grocery store in first floor, stock insured for \$800, total loss; and on second floor by C. C. Warren's law office. The building was one of the oldest in the village, having been used for a store for nearly 100 years. Although on one side was a store and dwelling only 15 feet, away and store and office on the other side at a distance of about 28 feet, the fire department, through its good work with good water supply, saved both well scorched.

One of the most interesting trials in this section for a long time was that of F. W. Sandford leader of the Shiloh movement, held at Lewiston last week. The first case, that of cruelty to his six year old son, occupied the first day. The testimony of several witnesses showed that the boy, was kept without food or water for seventy-two hours, as a punishment. Mr. Sandford was represented by H. W. Oakes of Auburn and Mr. H. E. Coolidge of Lisbon as counsel, but they put in no evidence for the defense. The jury returned a verdict of guilty after being out less than half an hour. The case will be appealed. Thursday morning Mr. Sandford was placed on trail for manslaughter, in connection with the death of Leander Bartlett a youth of four years at Shiloh. The jury in this case were out all Friday night, and after being further instructed by the judge, remained out until about 11 o'clock Saturday, when they reported a disagreement. They stood 10 to 2 for conviction. Fred G. McGregor of Lowell, Mass., who has been an attendant at the trial, has a suit against Mr. Sandford now entered in the Supreme court of Massachusetts. Mr. McGregor is the man who gave Mr. Sandford the white horses and chariot, and it is to recover property given to the Elijah and David of the Holy Ghost and Us society, that the suit referred to has been brought.

STARK, N. H.

There are so many sick ones doctors are busy day and night. Mrs. Harry Cole, Henry Pike, Mrs. Cloutier, Frank Hall, Felix Aubin, and Harwood Osgood are among those on the sick list.

A number of people from Lancaster and Groveton visited the Percy Lumber Company's camp at South Pond last week.

George Smith was in Manchester a part of last week.

Rev. W. P. White visited Tucker's camp on Phillips' brook Monday.

The thirty-first of January was the pleasantest day so far this winter.

Jabez Cole who has been very ill is slowly recovering.

George Veazie of Apthorp, visited his parents here recently.

Silas Lunn is entertaining his nephew, Mr. Farrar, of Montpelier, Vt., whom he has not seen since Mr. Farrar left town when a lad of seven years, sixty years ago.

Miss Stella Lunn spent Sunday with Ada Cole.

James Carron's brother from the Philippines has been visiting here.

Your correspondent wishes to extend sympathy to the relatives of Mr. Hiram Willson who in years past were near neighbors, in their hour of affliction.

PROTECTS THE SYSTEM AGAINST CATARRH

Hyomel Prevents Colds and Cures Grip and Catarrh. Money Back If It Fails.

"An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." A few breaths of Hyomel through the neat pocket inhaler that comes with every outfit will check a cold or the grip at the start, and prevent serious and lasting illness.

In all catarrhal troubles and diseases of the air passages, Hyomel has a positive action not possessed by any other medicine or treatment. It is pleasant and convenient to use; simply put 20 drops of Hyomel in the inhaler and breathe it a few minutes, four times a day. In this way, every particle of air that enters the lungs is charged with a healing balsam that kills all catarrhal germs, soothes and allays the irritated mucous membrane, vitalizes the blood with ozone, and makes a permanent and complete cure.

A Hyomel outfit costs only \$1, and contains an inhaler, medicine dropper and bottle of Hyomel. The inhaler lasts a lifetime and when more Hyomel is needed, extra bottles can be obtained for 50c.

G. R. Wiley gives his personal guarantee with every Hyomel outfit he sells to refund the money if it does not cure.

GROVER HILL.

Mr. and Mrs. Young will remain on Cobblestone Farm until spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeland Bennett entertained Albert Whitman and family last Thursday.

Dr. George Fernald was in this place on business recently.

Mrs. Austin Hayes and Mrs. O. G. Whitman who have been visiting at Pearl Whitman's have returned to their homes in Greenwood.

Fred Wheeler has been promoted to the position of night watchman in the West Bethel mill.

Mrs. Susie Whitman is convalescent.

The Small of the Back

That is where some people feel weak all the time.

They are likely to be despondent and it is not unusual to find them borrowing trouble as if they hadn't enough already.

The fact is their kidneys are weak, either naturally or because of sickness, exposure, worry or other influences.

"I am thankful to say," writes J. L. Campbell, of Syracuse, Ill., "that Hood's Sarsaparilla has cured me. For many years I was troubled with backache. At times I was so bad I had to be helped from the bed or chair. I am now well and strong and free from pain. What this great medicine did for him it has done for others."

Hood's Sarsaparilla Promotes to cure and keeps the promises. Begin treatment with Hood's today.

News' Excursion

TO THE

St. Louis Exposition

AND

NIAGARA FALLS

Several will go as Guests of Honor and at our Expense, Others at Rock Bottom Prices.

The News proposes to conduct an Excursion to the St. Louis Exposition early in the summer, to accommodate such young people from this section as desire to attend that Exposition; which will be the greatest exposition that the world has ever seen or will be likely to see for many years to come. We have heard many young people express a desire to go to St. Louis, which fact has prompted the arrangement for this Excursion, not as a money-making scheme, but in order to secure to all the advantage of such excursion rates as may be obtainable. The editor, Mr. E. C. Bowler, who will personally conduct the party, will visit the Exposition during the month of May at which time he secure the lowest possible rates for the party which he will take a few weeks later. And now as to

Those Who Are To Go Free.

Yes, several of this party will go absolutely free as far as necessary expenses are concerned. We shall pay their railroad fares, Pullman service, hotel bills and fares into the Exposition, so that their only expense will be what they may choose to spend. Just who these fortunate ones will be, will be determined by a

VOTING CONTEST

Not a voting contest like most voting contests in which one wins and all the others lose, but a contest in which all who work win.

In all contests some one has to be second, another third and so on; each of these may have worked just as hard as the first, but they get no reward. Notice the different St. Louis Contests running in the papers at the present time. In many cases there are scores in the fight, but in all cases, one will go and all the others will be disappointed.

OUR PLAN.

Ours will be a Voting Contest just the same as the others, but will differ in the respect that each and every person who gets 16,000 votes will go at our expense. There is no limit as to field. People in the County or outside the County may enter. Any desiring to go under this proposition should enter their names at once before their friends have pledged their support to some one else. Votes will be counted according to the following schedule:

SCHEDULE FOR COUNTING.

	Votes.
1. Each paper will contain a Coupon which when properly filled out and returned to us will count.....	1
2. Each dollar paid on new subscriptions will count.....	100
3. Each dollar paid on renewals by present subscribers will count.....	40
4. Each dollar paid on arrears by present subscribers will count.....	25
5. Each dollar paid on new advertising secured by the contestants or their friends will count.....	50
6. Each dollar for new advertising, secured by such written contract as shall be acceptable to us will count.....	25
7. Each dollar paid for job printing will count.....	25

CONDITIONS.

- Contestants must note these conditions carefully as they must be observed to the letter.
- Votes once credited to one contestant cannot be withdrawn and given to another.
- Subscriptions discontinued and begun again during the contest will be credited at the renewal rate, even though they may have come in under another name in the same family.
- If a subscriber is in arrears and pays up to date and one or more years in advance, the amount to date will be received as arrears and the balance as a renewal, as per schedule for counting.
- Credit on advertising must be for space actually secured by contestants and does not apply in any way to our present advertising. Any increased business which may be secured from our present subscribers will be counted, but no credit will be allowed on money paid for regular space now carried. Should any of our regular advertisers discontinue their advertising and begin again during the life of the contest, such will not be considered new business and no credit will be allowed.
- The same applies to job printing as to advertising. All must be new work. No credit will be given on any work already secured by the office.
- The standing of each contestant will be published each week.
- The Contest will close about June 20. The exact date will be given later. The Excursion will be as soon after the closing date as possible.

Bethel News St. Louis Coupon.

One Vote For

Address

QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA.

Assets Dec. 31, 1903.	\$150,000.00
Real Estate, Mortgage Loans, Stocks and Bonds, Cash in Office and Bank, Agents' Balances, Interest accrued, All other Assets.	\$150,000.00
Total Admitted Assets, LIABILITIES Dec. 31, 1903.	\$150,000.00
Net Unpaid Losses, Unearned Premiums, All other Liabilities, Cash Capital, Surplus over all Liabilities.	\$150,000.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus.	\$150,000.00

W. J. WHEELER & CO.,
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U. S. BRANCH SUN INSURANCE
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Assets Dec. 31, 1903.	\$150,000.00
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THE AMERICAN FIRE INS. CO.

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LONDON & LANCASHIRE FIRE INS. COMPANY,
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NORWICH UNION FIRE INSURANCE SOCIETY,
Norwich, England.

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THE FRANKLIN FIRE INS. CO.
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For many years it has been known that Catarrh of the Stomach and dyspepsia, but the opposite. Indigestion, peptic attacks of indigestion, exposure of the nerves of the stomach, the glands to secrete the juices of natural called Catarrh of the Stomach.

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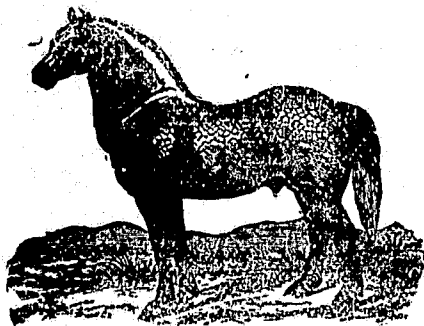
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Grand Trunk at World's Fair.

The extensive and comprehensive exhibit which the Grand Trunk Railway System are arranging for the World's Fair, held at St. Louis during 1904, is now in course of preparation. The proposed pavilion which it is the intention of erecting is one combining beauty, elegance and artistic merit and the designs submitted to the Exposition authorities were greatly admired and accepted. The pavilion will be erected in the "Fish and Game" Building, facing on three sides, will be of Corinthian and Doric architectural style, embellished with emblematic designs of fish and game, and it is claimed will be one of the handsomest structures at the Exposition. Canadian haunts will be the predominating feature of the display.

The mammoth palaces that form the main picture of this "World's Fair"—the Foreign and State buildings and the "Pike" (Midway)—are at the present time much further advanced before the opening date than the buildings of any other of the great expositions that have been held in the past; in fact, the installation of exhibit is now being proceeded with in many of the buildings.

One good feature of St. Louis is the Union Station: there being only this one, all trains from all points with the exception of excursion trains from a distance of one or two hundred miles of St. Louis will arrive and leave from the one depot, and as the street car lines pass the station visitors will have no trouble in reaching their hotels or boarding houses without difficulty and early after arrival.

People who have seen the grounds for the first time marvel at the magnitude of this colossal undertaking and do not hesitate in forming the opinion that it will be the greatest event from an instructive, educational and amusing point of view, that the world has ever seen.

Two hundred and fifty conventions have already signified their intention of visiting, and have completed arrangements for St. Louis during the "World's Fair."

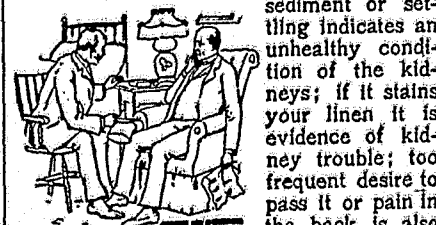
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A small girl in a Harlem apartment was observed by a friend of the family eating a certain cereal preparation. She seemed to eat sadly. "Don't you like that, my dear?" inquired the friend. "Not particularly," replied the little maid. "Why do you eat it, then?" The daughter of the house paused with spoon on edge of bowl. "It's got to be eaten," she answered gravely. "The grocery man gives mamma a rag doll for every two packages she buys, and it's got to be eaten every morning." And she continued to eat the cereal.

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Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also



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GILEAD.

The weather seems to be the chief topic of conversation. The roads have to be broken nearly every day.

Herbert Wheeler cut his foot while working in the woods. He went to Bethel Friday.

Mrs. Josephine Wheeler who has been ill since visiting her sister in Gorham, N. H., is much better.

Jessie Forbes who has been working for Mrs. Samuel Morse, has returned to her home in Gorham, N. H.

Spool stripes are being hauled from Hastings to the station.

Wm. Jewel is hauling hay from W. J. Morse's barn.

There is more catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by E. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from ten drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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NORTH NORWAY.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Holt had a reception Jan. 28. Ice cream and cake were served to sixty guests who after listening to the music and enjoying the games until a late hour, left wishing them many years of happiness, and leaving many tokens of regard.

Little Madeline Wyman fell and broke her collar bone recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Asa Needham are visiting in Auburn.

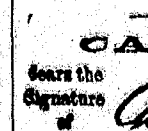
Chicken pox is raging in district No. 2.

Mr. Hall of Waterford, is giving entertainments with magic lantern and graphophone in the school districts.

Dr. Walker, V. S., is kept very busy this winter.

Every one appreciates plenty of firewood and strongly built houses this very cold, windy weather.

Guess we all wish we were boys and girls to go to the St. Louis Exposition with the editor.



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Taking Account of Stock.

If women had the same business sense that impels men to begin the year with a knowledge of their stock in trade, complete to the smallest detail, there would be fewer mistakes to groan over. The professional man—the lawyer, doctor and dentist—will invariably clean up his year's business, or hire somebody to do it, and start fresh every twelve months. The dealer "takes stock" before unpacking the next season's goods and all take means of straightening old accounts and disposing of useless materials before starting afresh.

The only women who act upon this excellent principle are those in business and really competent housekeepers. The former are so much like their male competitors that we need not consider them. The latter are well worth studying. After the holidays have passed and there is a breathing spell in home, there women begin to look over their stock and with pencil and paper they note the additions necessary to make home pleasant and complete, in furniture, hangings, bric-a-brac, table and bed linen, floor coverings, and tableware. They plan spring renovation and put down, in black and white, the details they wish to remember. To rely upon memory in such matters would be as absurd as for a tradesman to dispense with written proof of the overhauling of every department of his business.

Then the wardrobe of the family comes under inspection. Whatever is discarded through change of fashion or other reasons except dilapidation is put into neat bundles and given away to the needy. The only difficulty is in making a choice, the demands of poverty are so many. If one can reach individual cases without the delay of a third party, so much the better, but when in doubt it is best to pass over one's contributions to the relief committee of one's own church or any one of the many excellent organizations of charity.

This leaves the way clear for new clothing, which in many families is made largely by the feminine hand or a seamstress. But in any case, it is very comfortable to meet warm weather with a complete wardrobe and a feeling that one need not work if the desire is lacking. Summer is for play and rest, and spring usually finds us rather fagged from exertions of the departed winter. And if we carry business system into all the details of life we must take an inventory of health and looks and straighten them out, too. We ought not to wish to evade the sight of our own defects, but rather strive to remedy them.

Take an inventory of your charms, my sisters, it is "business" that pays in many ways. Take it as often as you please, but not less often than once a year if you want to keep away the cobwebs. Old age is terrifying only when one ceases to grow and learn.—Boston Traveler.

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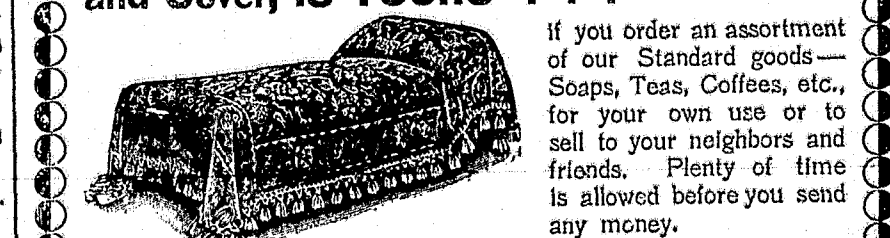
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TRAINS GOING EAST.

	A. M.	P. M.
Island Pond, leave...	1.45	6.30
Gorham,	4.00	8.30
Gilead,	4.25	8.58
West Bethel,	4.38	8.47

BETHEL, arrive, .. 4.45 8.53 3.50

	A. M.	P. M.
Lockes Mills,	9.00	4.00
Bryant Pond,	5.05	9.05
South Paris,	5.38	9.30
Lewiston,	6.40	10.30
Portland, arrive, ..	7.30	11.15
Boston, via rail, ..	12.45	4.10

Boston, via boat, .. 3.00

TRAINS GOING WEST.

	A. M.	P. M.
Portland, leave, ..	5.15	1.30
Lewiston,	9.00	2.30
South Paris,	10.00	3.38
Bryant Pond,	10.28	4.15
Lockes Mills,	10.35	4.18

BETHEL, arrive, .. 10.46 4.32 9.37

	A. M.	P. M.
West Bethel,	10.54	4.42
Gilead,	11.05	4.54
Gorham,	11.30	5.20

Island Pond, .. 1.30 7.50

Montreal, .. 6.50 7.20

Toronto, .. 7.15 7.40

Chicago, .. 8.45 7.20

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How does the President, a man upon whose personal labor the sun never sets, find time for this miscellaneous reading? Well, all over the world it is the exceptionally busy man who has spare moments for desirable ends. President Roosevelt shares a secret possessed by Mr. Gladstone whom in his animated and varied conversation, with its wide range and intimate acquaintance with any topic started, he strongly resembles.

"All my life," Mr. Gladstone once said to me, "I have taken care of my ten minutes, certain that the hours and the days would take care of themselves."

"I read when I can," the President says, "always a bit before I go to bed. Sometimes, at periods of great pressure, I awake about three in the morning; if I lay there thinking of things I should be worried to death, until for my work in the coming day. So I switch on the light, take up my book, read a chapter or two, fall asleep, and wake up bright and early.—Punch."

When You Have a Cold.

The first action when you have a cold should be to relieve the lungs. This is best accomplished by the free use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. This Remedy liquefies the tough mucus and causes its expulsion from the air cells of the lungs, produces a free expectoration, and opens the secretions. A complete cure soon follows. This remedy will cure a severe cold in less time than any other treatment and it leaves the system in a natural and healthy condition. It counteracts any tendency toward pneumonia.

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We heard a man say the other morning that the abbreviation for February—Feb.—means *Freeze every body*, and that man looked frozen in his ulster. It was apparent that he needed the kind of warmth that stays, the warmth that reaches from head to foot, all over the body. We could have told him from personal knowledge that Hood's Sarsaparilla gives permanent warmth, it invigorates the blood and speeds it along through artery and vein, and really fits men and women, boys and girls, to enjoy cold weather and resist the attacks of disease. It gives the right kind of warmth, stimulates and strengthens at the same time, and all its benefits are lasting. There may be a suggestion in this for you.

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Unequalled for Constipation.

Mr. A. R. Kane, a prominent druggist of Baxter Springs, Kansas, says: "Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets are, in my judgment, the most superior preparation of anything in use today for constipation. They are sure in action and with no tendency to nauseate or gripe. For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel.



Mrs. Elizabeth H. Thompson, of Lillydale, N. Y., Grand Worthy Wise Templar, and Member of W. C. T. U., tells how she recovered from a serious illness by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I am one of the many of your grateful friends who have been cured through the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and who can to-day thank you for the fine health I enjoy. When I was thirty-five years old, I suffered severe backache and frequent bearing-down pains; in fact, I had womb trouble. I was very anxious to get well, and reading of the cures your Compound had made, I decided to try it. I took only six bottles, but it built me up and cured me entirely of all my troubles. My family and relatives were naturally as gratified as I was. My niece had heart trouble and nervous prostration, and was considered incurable. She took your Vegetable Compound and it cured her in a short time, and she became well and strong, and her home to her great joy and her husband's delight was blessed with a baby. I know of a number of others who have been cured of different kinds of female trouble, and am satisfied that your Compound is the best medicine for sick women."—Mrs. ELIZABETH H. THOMPSON, Box 105, Lillydale, N. Y.

Thousands upon thousands of women throughout this country are not only expressing such sentiments as the above to their friends, but are continually writing letters of gratitude to Mrs. Pinkham, until she has hundreds of thousands of letters from women in all classes of society who have been restored to health by her advice and medicine after all other means had failed.

Here is another letter which proves conclusively that there is no other medicine to equal Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I suffered with poor health for over seven years, not sick enough to stay in bed, and not well enough to enjoy life and attend to my daily duties properly. I was growing thin, my complexion was sallow, and I was easily upset and irritable. "One of my neighbors advised me to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and I procured a bottle. A great change for the better took place within a week, and I decided to keep up the treatment. "Within two months I was like a changed woman, my health good, my step light, my eyes bright, my complexion vastly improved, and I felt once more like a young girl. I would not spend another year like it for a fortune. "I appreciate my good health, and give all the praise to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."—Mrs. M. TILLY, 407 Habersham St., Savannah, Ga.

Mrs. Pinkham has on file thousands of such letters.

\$5000 FORFEIT If we cannot forthwith produce the original letters and signatures of above testimonials, which will prove their genuineness. Lydia E. Pinkham Med. Co., Lynn, Mass.

Whipping the Child.

The old adage, "Spare the rod and spoil the child," has been a source of much worry to many parents and will continue to be so for ages to come, but the following letter received by one of our readers, will no doubt, set some at rest.

To Mother—Your objections to whippings interested me very much. I was whipped when a child and sometimes for such silly things as breaking a cup. Suppose we were whipped every time we broke anything or did anything wrong? Many fathers and mothers who have grown broader in their ideas are ashamed to think they stooped so low as to whip these dear little bodies intrusted to their care. Often these same people will pet some animal, speak kindly to it, and never think of a kind word to their own. It is all well enough to be kind to animals, but why not start on humanity? I have been in homes where about every one was picked to pieces, harsh words to one another; then such tenderness toward the 'cat. Children do not forget unkindness. I can remember a remark that was made about my clothes when I was six years old. When I see that person I always think of that unkind remark. I do wish grown people would treat children with respect. They have feelings and they appreciate kindness. I, as a child received very little kindness, so know how one so placed must feel.—Married.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on every box. 25c.

Some People.

Some people say they always speak exactly what they think. In other words, their talk will leak. No matter who must shrink, because their fancy seems a fact. But they would show a lot more tact if they would hire some one to teach them how to put a link upon their tongues—or stop their speech.

Or else to stop to think. —Chicago Tribune.

When you feel blue and think that everything goes wrong, take a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They will cleanse and invigorate your stomach, regulate your bowels, give you a relish for your food and make you feel that in this old world is a good place to live. For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel.

Sad.

The springtime will delight the soul, The violets will bloom again; But, oh, the many cords of wood That we will have to buy ere then!

An Early Riser.

A strong, healthy, active constitution depends largely on the condition of the liver. The famous little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers not only cleanse the system but they strengthen the action of the liver and rebuild the tissues supporting that organ. Little Early Risers are easy to act, they never gripe and yet they are absolutely certain to produce results that are satisfactory in all cases. Sold by G. R. Wiley.

WIT AND WISDOM.

"Well," said the young lawyer, after he had heard his new client's story, "your claim appears to be good. I think we can secure a verdict without much trouble."

"That's what I told my wife, and yet she insisted at first that we oughter engage a first-class lawyer."

Dyspepsia—bane of human existence. Burdock Blood Bitters cures it, promptly, permanently. Regulates and tones the stomach.

An old lady, being in a store in a Connecticut town sat down and extended her feet to an iron safe, remarking that she was so glad that "the air-tight stoves had come into fashion again."

Nodd—Wilkins has had a lot of trouble with his wife, hasn't he?

Todd—Yes. Why, I believe it was on her account that he had to separate from his typewriter.

Is it a burn? Use Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. A cut? Use Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. At your druggists.

No boy has a right to do as he pleases, except he pleases to do right.

Coughs and colds, down to the very borderland of consumption, yield to the soothing, healing influences of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup.

A child is the beginning of what he will be: an old man is the remains of what he has been.

Only one remedy in the world that will at once stop itching of the skin in any part of the body; Doan's Ointment. At any drug store, 50 cents.

The happiest little boy we ever knew was one who was always ready to share his good things with other children.

Many Children are Sickly.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, used by Mother Gray, a nurse in Children's Home, New York, break up Colds in 24 hours, cure Feverishness, Headache, Stomach Troubles, Teething Disorders, and Destroy Worms. At all druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

Time is a stream in which there is no mooring the barks of life because there is no casting anchor in it.

The Keeley Institute in Portland, Maine, on Munjoy Hill, is successfully curing drunkards and drug users.

Pride joined with many virtues chokes than all.

THE TRUE "L. F." DID IT

"I feel it my duty to express my gratitude to you for the benefit I have received and am now receiving from Dr. F. J. Allen's Medicine. I was severely troubled with liver complaint. It was impossible for me to partake of the lightest food without distress. At last I was cured by a glass of Dr. F. J. Allen's Medicine. I was perfectly well. It is also a purgative medicine which cannot be equaled, and can never be too highly praised."—Fred J. Bennett, West Farmington, Me.

United States Branch of the AACHEN & MUNICH FIRE INS. CO., Chief Office in the United States, No. 46 Cedar Street, New York City.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1903.

Stocks and Bonds,	\$852,095.50
Cash in Office and Bank,	123,481.88
Agents' Balances,	132,634.14
Bills Receivable,	1,278.88

Gross Assets,	\$1,109,490.40
Deduct Items not Admitted,	\$16,742.44
Admitted Assets,	\$1,092,747.96

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1903.

Net Unpaid Losses,	\$8,823.63
Unearned Premiums,	607,948.17
All Other Liabilities,	2,589.05
Surplus over all Liabilities,	401,387.11

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,092,747.96

W. J. WHEELER & CO., Agents, 37 South Park, Me.

THE LIVERPOOL & LONDON & GLOBE INSURANCE CO.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1903.

Real Estate,	\$1,866,013.00
Mortgage Loans,	3,498,750.00
Stocks and Bonds,	3,767,406.25
Cash in Office and Bank,	1,317,133.34
Agents' Balances,	1,549,648.94
Interest and Rents,	55,623.95
All other Assets,	2,343.02

Gross Assets,	\$12,056,918.50
Admitted Assets,	\$12,056,918.50

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1903.

Net Unpaid Losses,	\$751,210.64
Unearned Premiums,	5,274,438.14
All Other Liabilities,	\$70,727.37
Surplus over all Liabilities,	5,106,542.35

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$12,056,918.50

FREELAND HOWE, Agent, 37 Norway, Maine.

United States Branch HAMBURG BREMEN FIRE INS. CO. of Hamburg, Germany.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1903.

Stocks and Bonds,	\$1,622,046.25
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$8,777.39
Agents' Balances,	\$70,727.37

Gross Assets,	\$1,834,177.95
Admitted Assets,	\$1,834,177.95

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1903.

Net Unpaid Losses,	\$104,600.00
Unearned Premiums,	1,292,885.25
Surplus over all Liabilities,	436,692.70

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,834,177.95

FREELAND HOWE, Agent, 37 Norway, Me.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children.

Successfully used by Mother Gray, nurse in the Children's Home in New York, Cure Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, move and regulate the Bowels and Destroy Worms. Over 10,000 testimonials. THEY NEVER FAIL. At all druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson

I ALWAYS USE PURE DRUGS AND CHEMICALS AND THE BEST OF

Pharmaceuticals in Compounding

And have made a Specialty of

PHYSICIANS' PRESCRIPTIONS

FOR MANY YEARS.

The Standard Proprietary Medicines at Lowest Contract Prices.

A Fine Line of Perfumes, Soaps and Toilet Articles.

The "Apollo" strictly high grade Chocolates—"The Chocolates that are different."

Eastman Kodaks and Photographic Supplies.

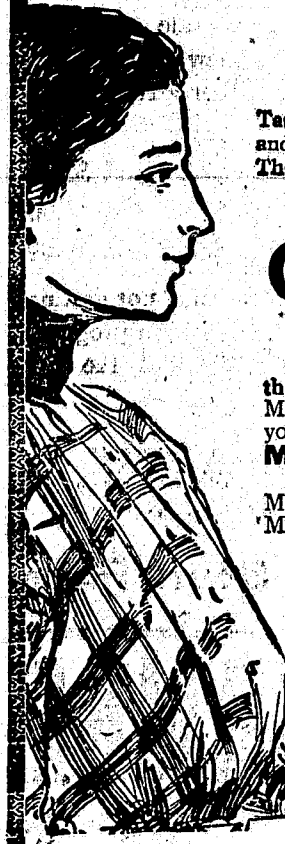
All the leading brands of Cigars and Tobacco.

AT

Wiley's Drug Store

BETHEL, MAINE.

See



Cut out this advertisement and send it to MEDAL COOK BROS. If you please mention it in this paper.

WEST BETHE

All the Latest News from Neighbors.

St. Valentine's day next

The youngest child of

Mrs. Frank Powers was

Saturday.

HEALTH In Childhood

means health in later years. As the child builds the adult shall be. Weakly, neglected children do not grow to vigorous men and womanhood. Childhood complaints yield easily to proper treatment—but they do not correct themselves. The weak stomach, pallid complexion, listless bearing, irritable temper, disturbed sleep, speak plainly of the ailments common to children, most of which have their origin in disordered stomach and bowels.

The greatest safeguard to children's health is

Dr. True's Elixir

For indigestion, irritability, constipation, poor appetite, nervousness, fevers, stomach and liver troubles, and worms it is unequalled. Parents of two generations have relied upon it. It restores sound, vigorous health when nothing else will. First it removes the cause, then aids nature to repair the damage; builds anew the waste, enriches the blood and sends a glow of health and vigor to every organ and tissue of the body. At all druggists, 85c. Write for free booklet: "Children and Their Diseases."

DR. J. F. TRUE & CO.,
Auburn, Maine.

If you want any Kind of Footwear,

You can find what you want here. We carry a full line of all kinds, and can fit all kinds of feet. Also Trunks and Suit Cases.

Yours truly,

Smiley Shoe Store, Norway, Maine.

E. N. Swett, Mgr. and Salesman. F. W. Faunce, Salesman
Eastern Telephone Store, 112-3. E. N. Swett's Residence, 112-12.

CHOOSE WISELY...

when you buy a SEWING MACHINE. You'll find all sorts and kinds at corresponding prices. But if you want a reputable serviceable Machine, then take the

WHITE

27 years' experience has enabled us to bring out a HANDSOME, SYMMETRICAL and WELL-BUILT PRODUCT, combining in its make-up all the good points found on high grade machines and others that are exclusively WHITE, which will appeal to careful buyers. All Drop Heads have Automatic Lift and beautiful Sewell Front, Golden Oak Woodwork. We sell only through our authorized dealers, who will furnish our iron-clad guarantee duly countersigned by themselves. Beware of buying a White with a defaced or altered plate number. White with a defaced or altered plate number. Vibrator and Rotary Shuttle Styles.

OUR ELEGANT H. T. CATALOGS GIVE FULL PARTICULARS, FREE.

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NORTHERN ASSURANCE CO.,
of London, England.
(Incorporated 1836.)

Amount at Risk, \$308,283,111.00
Cash Assets, Dec. 31, 1903, \$1,560,000.00
Real Estate owned by the Company, unincumbered, 165,000.00
Loans on Bond and Mortgage (first lien), 497,800.85
Stocks and Bonds owned by the Company, market value, \$1,556,545.00
Cash in Company's principal office and in Banks, 170,294.04
Interest due and accrued, 10,726.00
Other items of Assets, 170.76
Premiums in due course of collection, 497,800.85

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1903:
Reserve for Re-insurance, \$269,983.12
Commissions and other demands against the Company, 194,910.06
All Liabilities, except Capital Stock and Net Surplus, 2,302,888.06
Capital paid up in Cash, none in the United States
Surplus beyond Capital, \$1,097,599.77

FREELAND HOWE, Agent,
38 Norway, Maine.

THIS HANDSOME COUCH
and 200 other Premiums.

given with assortment of our Soaps, Extracts, Spices, Tea, Coffee, Toilet Goods and Standard Groceries. Send at once for our big catalogue of premiums.

HOME SUPPLY COMPANY,
Dep. P. Augusta, Me.

Nothing More Dangerous

Than Cutting Corns. The Foot-Ease Sanitary Corn Plasters cure by absorption. Something entirely new. The sanitary oils and vapors do the work. Sold by all druggists 25c. or by mail. Sample mailed FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Adamson's Botanic Balm
will break up a Cold, Stop a Cough, Alleviate Inflammation, Relieve Swollen Throat, Heal Sore Throat and Prevent serious complications, which leads to consumption. We have over 10,000 testimonials. It never fails. Sold by all druggists.

It Is Just As Good And Will Wear Almost as Long.

The much talked of Inlaid Linoleum. The patterns extend through to the back, therefore, will not wear off like printed goods. We have as many as twenty different patterns in the American, Scotch and German makes. Easy to take care of, does not scratch like a hard wood floor and has a warm and homelike appearance. Patterns made to imitate hard wood floors in all the different makes. Prices \$1.25, \$1.40 and \$1.75 per sq. yd. in the English patterns a good value at 80c. for 65c. per sq. yd. Send for samples. For hard wood floors, linoleums and oil cloths Hooper's Rubber Floor Polish will give satisfaction. Hot or cold water does not effect it, transparent and durable. Price \$2.50 per gal. 75c. per qt. Try a sample bottle and you will never use anything else.

OREN HOOPER'S SONS.
IMPORTERS OF CHINA AND GLASS.
HIGH GRADE COOKING AND HEATING APPARATUS.
(Established 1862.)
PORTLAND, MAINE.

WANT COLUMN.

WHITE PINE, SECOND GROWTH OR SAPLING PINE correspondence with parties having such on Stump, Timber Lots or in Bolts to Sell. Liberal Prices Paid. E. D. Douglass, 437 No. 5th Street, Philadelphia, Pa. 3w

Farm for Sale.
Farm of 120 acres situated in Hanover and well divided as to tillage, pasture and wood land. Two-story house of ten rooms, large ell and good barn with cellar under same. Good running water in house and barn. For particulars inquire of M. J. Swain on premises. 39

AGENTS WANTED, AT LIBERAL COMMISSION

To introduce and sell "Sunshine," the best furniture polish in the world. It sells on sight. You can make money this winter. For particulars write, OREN HOOPER'S SONS, Portland, Me. 31

Woodbury Homestead.
FOR SALE. The Woodbury Homestead on South Main Street, a large two story frame house with two story ell and stable attached. The house is heated by a furnace, and is supplied with water and drainage. Apply at once to MR. J. U. PURINGTON, Bethel, Maine. 36

HEAVY TEAM HORSES FOR SALE.

We have a stock of heavy horses, and some good, sound, nice team horses for sale at prices that are satisfactory to the buyer.

W. J. Wheeler & E. M. Thayer,
2m 28 South Paris, Maine.

Farm for Sale.

Situated in the town of Bethel, just outside of the Corporation limits, and about one mile from the railroad station, town school, churches and Gould's Academy; contains 120 acres of tillage, pasture and woodland; about 20 acres is intervalle, and all is well fenced, either with stone-wall or wire; has an orchard of about 100 trees, and excellent spring water at both house and barn; cuts 25 tons of hay; is on one of the best traveled roads in town with daily mail delivered at the door. 24

BETHEL MANUFACTURING CO.

ANDOVER.

The past week has been a record breaker for weather. Feb. 2 the thermometer registered ten below; Feb. 3, two below, Feb. 4, twenty below; Feb. 6, eight below. We have had quite a quantity of wind, but in spite of this, the stage has made its regular trips, and lumber teams have passed daily.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of CALVIN BISBEE, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereon are requested to make payment immediately.

Jan'y 19, 1904. Fannie W. Bisbee, 31

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The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of LYDIA W. WILLEY, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereon are requested to make payment immediately.

Dec. 19, 1903. E. C. Park, 31

PROBATE NOTICE.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates, hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby Ordered:

WANTED.

Delivered at our factory in Bethel, the coming winter. One Million 1,000,000 feet long lumber, consisting of Pine, Spruce, Hemlock, Fir, Oak, Ash, Maple, Birch and Beech Logs; also One Thousand (1,000) cords of White and Silver Birch, cut four feet long. We pay CASH. We are also in the market for timber lots. 33

Bethel Manufacturing Co.

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CHARLES S. BROWN, late of Bethel, deceased; petition for determination of collateral inheritance tax, presented by E. C. Park, administrator.

ADDISON E. HERRICK, Judge of said Court.

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Good Pills

Ayer's Pills are good liver pills. You know that. The best family laxative you can buy. They keep the bowels regular, cure constipation.

BUCKINGHAM'S DYE

Want your moustache or beard a beautiful brown or rich black? Use BUCKINGHAM'S DYE.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Patrick Doyle of Lewiston, ended his life at the Quincy House in Boston, Thursday night by taking poison.

Funeral services over the remains of William Collins Whitney, former secretary of the navy were held Friday in New York.

The governor and council at Friday's session gave the petitioners for pardon leave to withdraw in the case of Samuel D. Haynes who is now serving a life sentence in State prison, having been convicted of murder in the second degree in 1879 for the murder of James Robbins a Rockland policeman.

The report of the Maine library commission has been submitted to the council. This report says that there are 137 libraries in the State containing 560,000 books, and that, during the year 1903, free public libraries were established at Alfred, Brooksville, East Livermore, Freeport, Guilford, Lewiston and South Berwick. These 137 libraries received from public funds, that is from municipal appropriations, \$84,442; from private endowments, \$126,840; and from Andrew Carnegie for aid in establishment, \$25,000; also the sum of \$3000 from the State. There were 32 traveling libraries added during the year, and there are 113 now in circulation.

World's Fair Notes.

Nevada's State mineral exhibit which has an approximate value of \$70,000 will be exhibited at the World's fair at St. Louis. In addition there will be a number of valuable private cabinets shown.

The blizzard which struck St. Louis Jan. 25 caused all outdoor work at the World's Fair to cease for a short time. This was the first day this winter that work out of doors was impracticable. Work of installing the exhibits inside the big buildings was not seriously interrupted.

The big flag staff for the House of Hoo-Hoo reached the World's fair grounds last week. The timber is sixty feet long and twelve inches in diameter at the base. The House of Hoo-Hoo is built entirely of wood and is intended to form a museum of the lumber products of the United States as well as a handsome club house for lumbermen.

Reports from St. Michael, B. C., are to the effect that the well preserved body of a mammoth has been found by Indians in a glacier near that point. Charles Runner, a hotel proprietor at Skagway has organized an expedition to investigate the report. An effort will be made to exhibit the find at the World's fair. The body is said to be twenty feet high, and the tusks more than a foot thick. The only other complete specimen ever obtained is now in St. Petersburg.

The Summer Naval school of the Northwestern Military Academy at Highland Park, Ill., will visit the World's fair the latter part of June or the first of July. The pupils will be in charge of Maj. Davidson, Commandant of Cadets. The pupils will be in naval uniform, and will go by way of the canal and the Illinois and Mississippi rivers, studying the history of those valleys en route. Especial attention will be devoted to that portion of history that bears on the Louisiana Purchase.

Billious Colic Prevented.

Take a double dose of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy as soon as the first indication of the disease appears and a threatened attack may be ward off. Hundreds of people use the remedy in this way with perfect success.

For sale by G. B. Wiley, Bethel; E. L. Tabbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel.

What Are They?

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. A new remedy for stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation, and a good one. Price 25 cents. For sale by G. B. Wiley, Bethel; E. L. Tabbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel.

BLUE STORES

A TROUSER SALE.

Twice a year in February and August, we have a sale of Men's Trousers to clean up the lines and make room for new goods. No matter how many pairs of trousers you own, another pair or two will be a good investment at these prices.

\$1.50 and \$1.75 Pants	for \$1.19	\$3.00 Pants	for \$2.25 and \$2.50
\$2.00 and \$2.25 Pants	for \$1.60	\$4.00 Pants	for \$3.25 and \$3.50
\$2.75 Pants	for \$2.25	\$4.50 Pants	for \$3.75 and \$4.00

Every size, every shape, can see no reason for any man not getting a perfect fit. Our regular MARK DOWN SALE is still in progress. The first man to attend the sale will have first choice, but the last won't regret coming.

F. H. NOYES COMPANY,
MEN'S AND BOYS' OUTFITTERS.

NORWAY { 2 STORES } SOUTH PARIS
TELEPHONE

A QUAKER RANGE

Absolutely FREE!

Your old Range will cost you the price of a new Quaker Range in extra fuel in a very few years.

\$2 Down and \$2 a month buys a Quaker Range.

Hobbs' Variety Store
NORWAY, MAINE.

FLOUR, GRAIN AND FEED

Are Our Specialties.

BUT WE HAVE A LARGE LINE OF

Groceries, Provisions, Lime, Plaster and Cement.

Woodbury & Purington.

Just Call and Look

AT OUR NEW LINE OF

Blankets, Outing Flannel, Wrappers and Shirts Waists.

All new and nobby and up to date and just what everybody wants to keep them comfortable through these cold days and nights that are coming upon us with such a rush.

G. P. BEAN,
HONEST CORNER
Junction of Church and Main Streets, Bethel, Maine

Marked Down Sale of Men's Clothing.

Our sales are always an occasion of pronounced money saving. This sale is of regular goods at cut prices. All of our winter weight overcoats have been marked down. Several styles of Hart, Schaffner & Marx's \$20 overcoats for \$16. All of our \$15 overcoats are now \$12. Our \$12 overcoats comprising a wide range of patterns and fabrics are now \$9. The \$10 overcoats, in black, grey, olive and other colors are \$7.50. All of our \$7.50 overcoats are now \$6. Our fancy suits for men have suffered the same fate as our overcoats. \$15 suits in neat stripes for \$12. \$13.50 suits in several patterns and fabrics for \$10. \$12 suits in a wide range of popular weaves for \$10. \$10 suits for \$7.50. \$8 suits for \$6.

H. B. FOSTER,
NORWAY, MAINE.

VOLUME IX.—NUMBER

SHEETING

These cold days are a good time to make up your spring sheets and pillow slips. Ton goods of all kinds on the rise and sheeting is higher.

Unbleached Cottons.

36 inch Olympia	6c
36 inch Constitution	6 1/2c
36 inch Lockwood	7c
40 inch Olympia and Constitution	7 1/2c
40 inch Lockwood	8c
42 inch Lockwood and Constitution	8 1/2c

Something New.

Have you seen those long shop aprons? Made of dark print in good size length.

Shirt Waist Bargains

We have many good values in shirt waists. Here are some of them.

ONE LOT Waists made from Scotch Flannels, in light this season's style, were now 98 cents.

ONE LOT of fine French Flannels in light and dark colors, style, well made, were now \$1.49.

Dress Making.

Don't you need a new dress made, or your old one over for the Company D. March? We can do it for First-class work at reasonable prices.

Thomas Smith
Telephone 112-2.

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If in need of a

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Don't miss the chance of getting Prices from 10 cents up

I carry some of the best

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Amount at Risk, \$308,283,111.00
Cash Assets, Dec. 31, 1903, \$1,560,000.00
Real Estate owned by the Company, unincumbered, 165,000.00
Loans on Bond and Mortgage (first lien), 497,800.85
Stocks and Bonds owned by the Company, market value, \$1,556,545.00
Cash in Company's principal office and in Banks, 170,294.04
Interest due and accrued, 10,726.00
Other items of Assets, 170.76
Premiums in due course of collection, 497,800.85

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1903:
Reserve for Re-insurance, \$269,983.12
Commissions and other demands against the Company, 194,910.06
All Liabilities, except Capital Stock and Net Surplus, 2,302,888.06
Capital paid up in Cash, none in the United States
Surplus beyond Capital, \$1,097,599.77

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